

RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN DENTISTRY

MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

11 September 2013

Board Members in Attendance: Board Members Absent:

Carleton C. Cappuccino, DMD, Chair Louis Marciano, BS, M.Ed

Craig VanDongen, DDS

Donald C. Williams

Susan Perlini, RDH, BS, Secretary

Maureen Ross, RDH, BS

Robert E. Bartro, DDS

Thomas Bertrand, MPH

Martin C. Nager, DMD

Joseph G. Samartano, Jr., DDS

Robert Ricci, Ph.D

Russell Chin, DDS

Kerri Friel, RDH, COA, CDA, MA

Staff Members In Attendance: Others in Attendance:

Donna Constantino Valerie G. Celantano, RIDA

Benjamin Cople, JD Dr. Marian Royer RIDA

Pamela Schultz Marie Jones-Bridges RIDHA

Linda Phillips

Linda Esposito

Dr. Fine, Director

Establishment of Quorum: A meeting of the Board of Examiners in Dentistry was held on September 11, 2013 at the Rhode Island Department of Health, Conference Room 306, Providence, Rhode Island. A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m.

Motion to Adjourn to Executive Session:

A Motion was made by Dr. Ricci and seconded by Dr. Samartano to adjourn to Executive Session. Pursuant to Sections 42-46-4 and 42-46-5 of the Rhode Island General Laws, for the purpose of discussing job performance, character, physical or mental health or applicants for licensure and licensees, and investigatory proceedings regarding allegations of civil or criminal misconduct. Said individuals have been notified in advance in writing that they may request that the discussion be held at an OPEN Meeting.-and-Pursuant to Section 42-46-5 (2) of the Rhode Island General Laws, for the purpose of discussing pending litigation.

Return to OPEN Session:

Final Actions: A Motion was made by Mr. Williams and seconded by Dr. Nager to Seal the Minutes of the Executive (CLOSED) Session of September 11, 2013 pursuant to Section 42-46 (1) and (2) of the R.I.G.L. The Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: A Motion was made by Dr.Samartano and seconded by Mr Williams to accept the OPEN Minutes of August 14, 2013. The Board voted unanimously to approve the OPEN Minutes as presented.

Administrative Issues:

Dr. Cappuccino asked for a volunteer to attend the AADB Annual Meeting in New Orleans on October 31, 2013. Dr Cappuccino nominated Dr. Bartro, who consented, to be our NERB delegate. Dr. Nager made a motion to accept his nomination, which was seconded by Dr. Ricci, and the motion carried.

Dr. Cappuccino introduced and welcomed the new Dental Assistant member to the Board Ms. Kerri Friel. Welcome Ms. Friel.

The Board also approved a motion for Dr. Chin to represent the Board at the ADEX Meeting in Chicago on November 11, 2013.

Dr. Cappuccino requested meeting reports in writing provided to the Board members by the “representative” attendees prior to a Board Meeting.

Donna Constantino stated that Dr. Fine has appointed Don Williams as the new secretary to the Board. Congratulations Mr. Williams.

After much discussion the Board concluded that the current statute allows for dentists to administer Botox. Dr Samartano is chairing a subcommittee of the Board to review the rules and regulations for the scope of practice regarding the administration of Botox.

Issued Licenses:

Ms. Ross presented the names of those individuals qualifying for licensure in Dental Hygiene.

These names were unanimously approved.

Dr. Joseph Samartano presented the names of those individuals qualifying for licensure to practice Dentistry or Anesthesia Facility Permits. These names in both categories and facilities were unanimously approved.

Old Business:

Donna Constantino gave a brief update on the status of the interview process for the Chief Administrator position. The committee is in the process of being formed. Dr Chin, Dr.McDonald and Don Williams are currently on the committee. They are also currently awaiting one more member to be chosen by the Governor.

Ms. Constantino has also provided the Board members with a list of staff who will assist the Board until a new Board Administrator is in place.

New Business:

At this time Dr. Cappuccino asked the Chairs of the four subcommittees for a progress report.

Mr Williams who has been appointed to Chair a subcommittee for

proposed changes to Rules and Regulations, said he is in the process of compiling a list of issues up for discussion. He has appointed committee members and will post a date and time when the subcommittee meeting is to take place.

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Dr. Bartro who has been appointed Chair to a subcommittee on Infection Control and who will continue to develop the infection control tool, said he has appointed members and is in the process of setting up a date and time to meet. He extended an invitation to representatives of RIDHA and RIDAA to attend.

Dr Nager who is head of the subcommittee to develop the continuing education guidelines, gave a report of the first meeting held on September 3, 2013. Dr Cappucino has asked for an itemized list for future discussion by the Board and asked that discussions be tabled for the next meeting.

Dr Samartano who is Chair of the subcommittee to establish protocols for issuing Dental Anesthesia Permits and protocols for the administration of Botox and Dermal Fillers, has appointed members will meet September 16, 2013 at St. Josephs Health Services of RI, at 6:00pm. Dr Samartano gave a brief update of the meetings' agenda.

Public Comments:

Dr. Royer asked about changes in licensing fees and radiation facility fees. Dr Royer also asked about the protocols for Radiation

Certification of Dental assistants.

Motion to Re-adjoin to Executive Session:

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Return to OPEN Session:

Final Actions: A Motion was made by Mr. Williams and seconded by Dr. Nager to Seal the Minutes of the Executive (CLOSED) Session of September 11, 2013 pursuant to Section 42-46 (1) and (2) of the R.I.G.L. The Motion carried.

Adjourn: The next RI Board of Examiners in Dentistry meeting is October 2, 2013, at 8:00 a.m. in the Room 401, DOH. A Motion was made by Dr. Ricci and seconded by Dr. Nager to adjourn at 11:10 a.m. The Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Susan Perlini, RDH, BS, Secretary
Board of Examiners in Dentistry**